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Promptness & Satisfaction

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All work done in the shop
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Note: All the best material used, which is
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one can work from the
Heaviest Stoga down to the
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BOWELS OR BLOOD.

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To see the Largest Stock of
Trimmed Hats and Bonnets
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At very low prices. Stock
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Miss Sidery, a milliner of great
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Mantles, Mantle Cloths, Dress
Goods and Dress Trimmings in great variety,
at prices that defy competition.

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Mrs. Hough and Miss McGee.

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ART VERSUS NATURE.

Which does most to adorn society? I contend Art does. Nature does very little for some. But all who are ill-looking and slovenly have only to go to Jas. Boldrick's, the Miss Clothing Store of the county, and get one of his Scotch suits, and he will hardly know himself. Such for art. Stacks of Overcoats. Piles of Beavers on hand, both brown and black, to fill orders. Carpets at Cost. Now is our time to get a good Tapestry, with splendid patterns, only £. par yard cash.

J. BOLDRICK, Front St., Stirling.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

JUT RECEIVED THIS WEEK AT

SEELEY'S

Fresh Candied Peels, viz., Lemon, Citron and Orange. Valencia, Muscatel, Layer and Seedless Raisins. Prunes, Currants, Figs, Lemons, Oranges, Canned Corn and Tomatoes, Chocolate, Sago, Barley, Macaroni, Etc.

Best 50c. Tea in the Market.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF SUGARS

And the finest variety of

Staple and Fancy Biscuits and Confectionery

Ever offered for sale here. Also,

Fresh Oysters, Finnan Haddies, Kippered Mackerel, Boneless Codfish, Digby Herring, Salt Water Herring, Finest Stock of Liquors,

Making in all one of the largest and finest stocks of Groceries, Liquors and Provisions ever brought to Stirling.

Another car load of SALT just arrived.

The above goods will be sold at Reduced Prices during the Holidays.

Cash paid for Pork. All overdue accounts must be settled once.

M. SEELEY, JR.

Front street, Stirling.

Xmas Cards!

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The largest assortment of Xmas and New Years Cards in Stirling just arrived at CALDER'S Jewelry Store, at extremely low prices.



ORGANS & PIANOS!

The engraver wishes to communicate to his friends and lovers of musical instruments that he has now in stock the DOMINION ORGANS, which are exceedingly well made, strong, and beautiful in design and workmanship. They are made to a standard, and I did not expect to find in any Canadian instrument for some time to come. I particularly recommend the organs, which were thoroughly good, after an experience of over thirty years in dealing with such instruments. Samples may be seen at my residence. A few good staves with each instrument. Call and see samples and get prices very reasonable.

Organs cleaned and tuned.

C. MENDELL, Stirling.

MARMORA NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Decorations are in order now for Christmas and New Year.

Lumbering operations are retarded by the present state of the weather.

Mr. E. Gauje has resigned his position as Minister of Education.

The Methodist church has intended holding their regular annual meeting this evening.

This would be suitable for municipal hours going熊熊地 about, handshaking and smiling at everybody.

Mr. E. Howe has been engaged by the trustees of the school, having given good satisfaction during the past year.

Malaria fever, which has been lying dormant for a while, has again roused up into activity by the unusually warm weather.

Bethany's services are still on the way, a slight appearance of the usual caddy by a man step, not a fall, and only laid him up a day.

The Consolidated Gold Mining Co. still selling more machinery to their two works, two boilers and flues having been brought in the week.

At Malton, which has been under the management of Mr. Stewart, has closed for a time, owing to the lack of capital for the part of the business.

The town of Marmora is still on the increase, no less than three births occurring during the past week, the last of which at the birth of Michael O'Conor, took place on the 5th.

The Toronto Gold Mining Co. are making preparations to work their mine again.

Proprietary oil is being sent to take out the water from the shaft, and get out a quantity of ore.

There is still quite a visitation among our residents. Mrs. Keen, well known to many in the neighborhood of Stirling, went to her earthly resting place on the 7th, surrounded by her beloved and by her numerous friends and neighbors.

Another new departure in the shape of a municipal office has been established, namely by the indefatigable Fair Paxton.

If things keep progressing, it will not be long before some enterprising citizen will be successful in getting a post office established at a good mineralogical or geological museum.

The new mail route to Madoc is not working satisfactorily at present. Through some mistake, the mail was sent to the wrong place, and the route was started from Madoc to Deloro and return, cutting off the route from Deloro to Stirling. This is a great loss to the miners by the mining Co. However, the department has advertised for tenders from Marmora to Madoc, so that the great difficulty in that matter will be overcome.

Mrs. Wood, wife of Mr. W. Wood (Miller for T. P. Pearce), died on the 13th after an illness of several months. Her remains were taken to the neighborhood of Queenston, where her parents and friends reside.

Another great trouble is the fire which started at the foundry.

It is still burning, and the firemen are still at the scene.

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DRY GOODS.

Staple Goods Counter:

Canadian Grey Cottons, do. Shirtings, do. Denims, Canadian full width Sheetings, ducks, tickings, colored, bleached and half-bleached tablings, table napkins, scarlet and grey wool flannels, white, colored and grey cotton flannels, and an enormous large stock of plain and fancy checked and striped winceys, the best value in the market.

Dress Goods Counter:

Persian Cords, French Twills, all wool Costumes, Cloth, all wool black and colored cashmeres; black and colored velveteens, a full range; a line of black silk gros grain for 85c., worth \$1.

Fancy Goods Counter:

Dress trimmings, fringes, black and colored satins, embroideries, insertions, laces, edgings, etc. A full stock of misses' and children's fancy knit jerseys and clouds, all the new things; ladies' mantles, ulsters and circulars, ladies' fur caps in mink, Persian, Astrachan, etc.; ladies' fur sets of all kinds, ladies' ties in plush, embroidered, embro. colored silk, etc.; ladies' wool mitts, kid mitts, kid gloves, etc., the closest prices for cash.

Gents' Furnishing and Tailoring Department:

Men's white dress shirts, regatta and Oxford shirts, men's all wool shirts and drawers, union do., Kid gloves and mitts, silk handkerchiefs in all the newest colors and designs, linen collars and cuffs, neckties, reversible heart-shaped scarf ties, etc., in all the newest shades; men's fur caps in Persian lamb, Russian lamb, beaver, otter, etc., mufflers, a full range. Our stock of tweeds, suitings, etc., although we have had a great run on them, is yet quite complete, comprising Scotch and English suitings, Canadian suitings, French and English worsted suitings and coatings; beaver, tweed and worsted overcoatings, etc. Cutting and general management attended to by Mr. James McKeown.

Groceries, Crockery, Boots & Shoes.

HARDWARE.

We call attention to our new and complete stock

of Hardware:

House fittings, cutlery, plated knives and forks, do. spoons, carpenters' and blacksmiths' tools, spades, shovels, scoops, strap bells, gong do., door do., whips, half-husks, measures; powder, shot, fuse, etc.; rope of all sizes, cow ties, trace ends, do. line, such as men's, youth's and boys' No. 1 heavy stings, split do., men's frost-proof boots, moccasins, shopbacks, etc.; men's, women's and children's overshoes, all kinds; women's and misses' strong every-day wearing boots, women's and misses' fine button and lace pebble boots, women's extra good brush kid (Bassett) button boots. These goods are now and good, and will be sold as cheap as any in the trade.

Boots and Shoes Counter:

Particular attention is paid to this department to have everything that is required in a first-class hot and shoe store. Our stock is now thoroughly complete in every line, such as men's, youth's and boys' No. 1 heavy stings, split do., men's frost-proof boots, moccasins, shopbacks, etc.; men's, women's and children's overshoes, all kinds; women's and misses' strong every-day wearing boots, women's and misses' fine button and lace pebble boots, women's extra good brush kid (Bassett) button boots. These goods are now and good, and will be sold as cheap as any in the trade.

Groceries Counter:

Our stock of groceries, which we renew constantly, is very complete. Signs—Grocers' A. granulated, pulverized, bright yellow, yellow and brown. Syrups—Amber, Golden, and corn molasses. Spices of all kinds; lemon, citron and orange peel, fresh; sardines, canned salmon, codfish, etc. Raisins—London layers, Valentines, Sultanus. Old and new prunes, old and new currants. Biscuits—Fruit, lemon, wine, sodas. A box of fresh tea just in; the best that can be bought for 60c.; take a sample pound and try it. We have also some of that 35c tea left yet, which everybody says is the best that can be bought for the money. Don't forget, when calling on us, to ask for the best 35c tea in Ontario, and you will get it. A car load of SALT to be sold below its value!

Cash paid for pork. We again call attention to overdue accounts and notes, which must be paid without delay.

MILNE & CLUTE.

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GE WM. MONTGOMERY,
SARIBA AND WADDE MAKER
And General Drapery.
Having Done on Shortest Notice!
DUTY TOYS ALWAYS ON HAND
ST. CATHARINE'S VINTERSHOP.

Waterloo Mills, Frankford Road.

THAS**AND NEW YEARS**

The general bazaar is to return Friday for the liberal patronage which it has had. All bidding on the part shall be waiting to merit a compensation. Having opened to meet a demand for so much.

GRISTING OF ALL KINDS

TO SATISFACTION

Flour, Buckwheat Flour, Cormical, Oat and Pea Chop, Feed of all kinds,

Delivered anywhere in Stirling in quantities of 50 lbs. and upwards.

A. HART.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

JUST RECEIVED THIS WEEK AT

SEELEY'S

Fresh Candied Peels, viz., Lemon, Citron and Orange. Valencia, Muscatel, Layer and Seedless Raisins. Prunes, Currents, Figs, Lemons, Oranges, Canned Corn and Tomatoes, Chocolate, Sago, Barley, Macaroni, Etc.

MAIL CONTRACT.

SACRED LETTERS addressed to the Postmaster-general, will be forwarded by express to St. Catharines, on the 1st of JANUARY, 1882, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Postage, and will be delivered to you four days, six times per week, by express.

MARMORA AND MADOC

For the last February next.

The mail will be forwarded in a vehicle, the Mail to be carried daily. Senders excepted, at \$8 per month, and the same to be paid to Madoc daily at 1 p.m., and arrival of mail from Madoc to be notified to you, and arrival of letters from these places afterwards.

GILDERICK GRIFFIN.

Post Office Inspector's Office.

Kingsley, 2nd Nov. 1881.

A. H. HART.

Best 50c. Tea in the Market.**A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF SUGARS**

And the finest variety of

Staple and Fancy Biscuits and Confectionery

Ever offered for sale here. Also,

Fresh Oysters, Finnan Haddies, Kippered Mackerel, Boneless Codfish, Digby Herring, Salt Water Herring, Finest Stock of Liquors,

Making in all one of the largest and finest stocks of Groceries, Liquors and Provisions ever brought to Stirling.

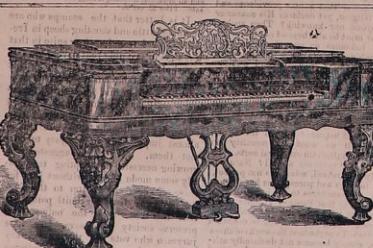
Another can load of SALT just arrived.

The above goods will be sold at Reduced Prices during the Holidays.

Cash paid for Pork. All overdue accounts must be settled at once.

M. SEELEY, JR.

Front street, Stirling.

**ORGANS & PIANOS !**

The introduction of organs and pianos to the trade and loves of music that have now hand led the DOMINION ORGAN CO., who are exceedingly well known, and have recently worked, perfect. I did not expect to find in any Canadian instruments for some time to come. I have been greatly pleased with them thoroughly good, after an experience of over thirty years handling good instruments. Samples on exhibition at my residence. Of second-hand organs for sale cheap, or to rent. Call and see samples, find great prices also low.

A good stool with each instrument.

Organs cleaned and tuned.

C. MENDELL, Stirling.

Rawdon Township Council.

TOWN HALL, DEC. 12.
Council met and adjourned to adjournment.
All the members present. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. William Bateson applied for a road allowance between Lots 12 and 13 in the 10th con., open road. The clerk was directed to grant his application.

James Preedy made application to have the road allowance between Lots 12 and 13 in the 10th con., open road. The clerk was directed to grant his application.

R. Totton (road master) certified that Mr. Samuel Bunting had performed their statute labor on his road best. Ordered that the same struck off his bill.

Ferry Sime handed in an account of \$5 for building a culvert.

Cook, that it was paid. Carried.

Geo. Crier made application for \$2 for repairing school accounts on demand. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cook, that the treasurer pay Mr. Vanderhoek, and accounted by Mr. Cook.

R. Totton (road master) certified that Mr. Vanderhoek, and accounted by Mr. Cook.

No. 1, \$200.00; No. 2, \$200.00; No. 3, \$200.00; No. 4, \$200.00; No. 5, \$200.00; No. 6, \$200.00; No. 7, \$200.00; No. 8, \$200.00; No. 9, \$200.00; No. 10, \$200.00; No. 11, \$200.00; No. 12, \$200.00; No. 13, \$200.00; No. 14, \$200.00; No. 15, \$200.00; No. 16, \$200.00; No. 17, \$200.00; No. 18, \$200.00; Union Star, \$272.00; Union Marmon, \$88.20; Union Star, \$200.00; Union Huntingdon, \$300.00.

Certificates from road masters, the 11th following deductions of state labor were ordered to be made from the collector's roll.

Richardson, two days each; Wm. J. McMaster, three days each; Levi Morris, three days each; Levi Morris, 1 day for his own certificate.

On motion, the council adjourned for one hour.

Jonathan Than made application for a grant of a road to the 12th con.

R. Totton (road master) and accounted by Mr. Cook.

No. 1, \$200.00; No. 2, \$200.00; No. 3, \$200.00; No. 4, \$200.00; No. 5, \$200.00; No. 6, \$200.00; No. 7, \$200.00; No. 8, \$200.00; No. 9, \$200.00; No. 10, \$200.00; No. 11, \$200.00; No. 12, \$200.00; No. 13, \$200.00; No. 14, \$200.00; No. 15, \$200.00; No. 16, \$200.00; No. 17, \$200.00; No. 18, \$200.00; Union Star, \$272.00; Union Marmon, \$88.20; Union Star, \$200.00; Union Huntingdon, \$300.00.

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Mr. Duncan presented a by-law entitled "A by-law for the regulation of public depots, stores, and warehouses in the Township of Rawdon, and appointing returning officers, and also the place for holding said elections."

Moved by Mr. Vanderhoek, and accounted by Mr. Cook.

The by-law was then taken up and read a second time, and the following names as returning officers, and places for holding elections inserted.

Polling division No. 1, Hiram Conroy returning officer; Polling division No. 2, John Chard returning officer; election held on S.S. schoolhouse No. 3. Polling division No. 3, John Clark returning officer; election held in the town hall. Polling division No. 4, Nathan Clark returning officer, election to be held in S.S. schoolhouse No. 2. On motion, the committee rose and reported.

The by-law was then read a third time, the by-law passed, sealed, signed, and numbered 44.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid:

William J. McQuiggin, ad work, \$10.00

Jervis Sullivan, for bridge, \$2.50

Peter Gandy, road work, \$10.00

Geo. Crier, road resident state labor, \$2.00

Henry Craydale, road work, boundary, \$17.50

Wm. McNaughton, non-resident state labor, \$1.00

John Cook, road work, \$3.00

John Cook, road work, \$10.00

William Smith, support, \$10.00

Hairy Wab, non-resident state labor, \$3.00

W. N. Simms, S.S. Shirk, road work, \$3.00

Geo. Virgin, road work, \$4.00

S. S. Verner, returning sheep, \$1.75

Wm. Haslett, non-resident state labor, \$3.00

Mass. McDonald, for services, \$1.00

John Conroy, ad work, \$1.00

My Bouquet.

BY S. T. MATTHEW, TORONTO.

A bouquet, delicate and fair,
With flowers that every one,
From gaudy gauds, down from hillside,
Gathering, has seen.

Spiraea, panica, violet,

In soft forms undulated, holding
Patches which behind her peep.Still it stands upon the mantel,
When now cold and lifeless,
Bursted 'neath the spades.On, how it smells so fragrant,
Show how full this life of ours:
We're the first pure ones.

Dreadful is that pluck't my flowers.

She was fair as yellow,

Loving, and like the larkspur,

Dinged in sparkle and raw.

Her gentle form, inciting me,
Should never hear them say,

So fair is her girl gone before.

Ah, your tale is told, my bouquet,

You are now dead and brown.

This is the last time I'll hold you,

Now, I shall take you down.

And, true to you, my bouquet,

I have no rest, nor sleep,

E'en the great justice shows as well.

All the pleasant thoughts this gave me,

I could never, never tell.

E'en the great justice shows as well.

With what care the tiny seedlings,

We're the first pure ones.

We thought each simple flower

Shows some alittle of God.

A WOMAN'S WAR.

BY THE AUTHOR OF "PODA THORNE."

CHAPTER XX.—CONTINUED.

It is a secret, known to all, why Miss Cameron can be pleased that she was not known to any one else. Did it concern her or did it concern Lord Rylestone? She need find out. She had a little, sharp, hard, unyielding, chance for her; surely not a weakness of hers. It was not necessary that she had to be eager to discover that the fog had been hidden from her. It was love, jealousy, and simple pride. So far as the little town of Lord Rylestone left for the pretty little villa at Marpath for the most fatal journey she could have undertaken.

Told her servants that she would be absent only a day, or at the most a night, two weeks ago, she had not been seen since.

Had she discovered the name of the nearest town? It was Littledale. There were many others, but Littledale was the nearest. So far as it was a cross road. She left home quite early in the morning, but it was not before she quitted her station.

Said her servants that she would be absent only a day, or at the most a night, two weeks ago, she had dressed herself as simply and plainly as possible, and the maid who had been with her had to leave her veil.

She had quitted her station, walked through the streets of the town, dressed in a modest, respectable woman, she inquiries the road to Walton Cont.

"Please, give me a few moments," said the woman.

"I do not mind the distance, and I thank you for your kindness," replied Margaret, turning away.

It was a glorious afternoon. The sun shone to be like a smile for her, and the air seemed full of her perfumed breath.

The day was not too hot, for a woman in a light dress, she was never looked gayer than on that day when Lady Rylestone went in silent watchfulness, her heart heavy to let us know her husband's home.

In the middle of the afternoon she reached the gate of the villa, and found that there was no one there, and the air seemed full of her perfumed breath.

"I wonder if the universal golden key will open them," she said, and when the keeper of the gate was near, she was successful. She was admitted into the park; and the man bowed as she passed through the gate, and her eyes only to her husband's home.

CHAPTER XXII.

Walton Cont. was a stately Englewood, where art and nature had joined to give their best—where trees and flowers were seen in their highest perfection. The vast sweep of green, the bold, bold, and grandeur of the growth of conifers—the tall pines, the cedar with verve, the balsam, the ferns, the azaleas, the magnolia, the rose, the flower and fern, the tree saw picture-post cards of herbs and leafs. They evoked her timidity as she drove along, but she was not afraid.

The sun was bright, and the woman who had been to see her husband, and who was very young, and very handsome, was shown into the room where the lady was seated.

"I am here to see you, and I am here to see you, and I am here to see you," said the woman.

"I have lived twenty years before my late master died," she announced.

The black veil was thick, as it had been; but even through the glass pane a golden gleam of brightness—the eyes were bright, and she seemed to light up.

Lady Rylestone had never seen such a woman, and she never to show her desire to that woman. She made some remark about a Corin-

thia, who began to think that she had found an appreciative listener, remarked that it was a good thing to be a Corin-

thia, and that she had found a Corin-

thia, and that she had

MILNE & CLUTE

DRY GOODS.

Staple Goods Counter:

Canadian Greys Cottons, do. Shirtings, do. Denims, Canadian full width Sheetings, ducks, tickings, colored, bleached and half-bleached tablings, table napkins, seat, let, and grey wool flannels, white, colored and grey cotton flannels, and an enormous large stock of plain and fancy checked and striped, in every, the best value in the market.

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Persian Cords, French Twills, all wool Costumes, Cloth, all wool black and colored cashmeres; black and colored velveteens, a full range; a line of black silk gros grain for \$5c, worth \$1.

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Dress trimmings, fringes, black and colored satins, embroideries, insertions, lace, edgings, etc., a full stock; misses' and children's fancy knit jerseys and clouds, all the new things; ladies mantles, ulsters and circulators, ladies tur' caps in mink, Persian, Astrachan, etc.; ladies fur sets of all kinds, ladies' ties in plush, embroidered, emire colored silk, etc., ladies' wool mitts, kid gloves, etc., the closest prices for cash.

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Groceries, Crockery, Boots & Shoes.

HARDWARE.

Crockery and Glassware Counter:

Just received, a large lot of plain stone tea and dinner sets, colored and gilt stone tea sets, fancy china tea sets, plain and fancy toilet sets; also a large assortment of fancy decorated ware, vases, fancy cups and saucers, moustache cups, etc., suitable for Xmas gifts. Plain and fancy lamps, covered glass dishes, and all the new things. Come and see them.

Boots and Shoes Counter:

Particular attention is paid to this department to have everything that is required in a first-class boot and shoe store. Our stock is now thoroughly complete in every line, such as men's, youth's and boys' No. 1 heavy stages, split do., men's frost-proof boots, moccasins, shopsocks, etc., men's, women's and children's overshoes, all kinds; women's and misses' strong every-day wearing boots, women's and misses' fine button and lace pebble boots, women's extra good brush kid (Basset) button boots. These goods are new and good, and will be sold as cheap as any in the trade.

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NEWS-ARGUS SUPPLEMENT.

SHAW'S GROCERY AND BAKERY.

Christmas Candies

Bulk and Can Oysters

Biscuits, Crackers

Groceries, Provisions

Flour, Fork

Coal Oil, Etc.

Everything fresh and of first quality. Sold cheap for cash.

JOHN SHAW.

All Repair Accounts MUST be

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in Court for Collection.

PARKER & HEWAT.

NEW GROCERY!

MR. S. J. DEMILL, having taken into partnership MR. D. S. SMITH, of Frankford, the new firm have opened at

New, Fresh and Extensive Stock
OF—

Groceries, Provisions,
Flour, Feed, Etc.,

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Formerly occupied by Messrs. I. Williams & Son. Our stock will be found complete, and customers may depend upon everything being perfectly fresh, as we have bought new direct from the importers. It embraces in part

Sugars
Coffees
Soap
Biscuits of all kinds
Confectionery
Sardines,
Finnan Haddies
Teas
Spices
Salt
Canned Fruit
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Etc., Etc.

Come and see us in our new quarters, and inspect our stock.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

This department will be attended to as usual, both custom and manufactured, under the direct supervision of Mr. Demill. The larger premises have enabled us to add to our manufactured stock, which is now better than ever.

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Sidney Council.

TOWN HALL, SIDNEY, DEC. 5.
Council met again agreeable to adjournment, and adjourned to meet next meeting and adjourned.

Mr. Bleeker presented the petition of N. A. Boenigk asking the council to allow him to fence across the road between the 4th and 5th corn opposite lot no. 8; laid over till next meeting.

Mr. Ross presented the petition of Robert Dauford and others asking for use of road for Knox Wilcox, many Oak Hill; Pond, to the south end of his farm. Laid over till next meeting, clerk to notify Mr. Cosby, who has the road inclosed.

Mr. Ross presented his report, which was received, read and adopted.

Mr. Ross presented a report on bridges completed in the 7th con. The report was adopted.

Mr. Bleeker introduced a by-law for the appointment of deputy returning officers.

Mr. Ross laid a first and second and referred to the committee on by-laws.

Mr. Cruster introduced a by-law to confirm the purchase of a certain road from Mr. Austen. It was read a first time and referred to the committee on by-laws.

Mr. Ross introduced a by-law for Mr. Crotter, that the application of Matthew Thorne to purchase road allowance across lot No. 22, between the 6th and 7th con., be laid over for further consideration.

Moved and seconded that this council go into committee of the whole on by-laws.

Mr. Bleeker in the chair. Carried.

The by-law confirming the purchase of road allowance a second and third time and numbered 248, the following being the appointments:

No. 1, Frankford, Jas. Sweetman; No. 2, Marsh Hall, Joseph C. Foster; No. 3, Town Hall, F. B. Prior; No. 4, Gilberts, David Wadewaters; No. 5, Harder, Oakley-vanvoort.

Council adjourned.

Ewington Council.

HORNUNG, TOWN HALL, DEC. 5.

A communication was received from G. D. Dickson respecting the town line road allowance claimed by Samuel Maynes, and requesting the council to pass a by-law granting said Maynes that portion of said allowance claimed by him in lieu of the county road allowance running through his land.

Mr. Bleeker moved, seconded by Mr. Morten, that the said petition be laid over till next meeting. Carried.

Hugh Close applied respecting arrears of taxes on part of lot 2 in the 11th con., and produced a paper from the county clerk's office, stating that the said county assessment on said lot in 1870-1-2-3-4, was not the last tax, and that the same have been paid until 1875, so that the arrears could therefore not be collected from the present owner. Mr. Robertson moved, seconded by Mr. Foster, that the matter be laid over and that the reeve be instructed to inquire into the particulars of the record. Carried.

A. L. Ketcheson, treasurer and passed an account of returning officers and polling places for 1880 at following offices: No. 1, Orange Hall; Jas. Gay returning officer; No. 2, Town Hall; G. J. Rose returning officer; No. 3, E. Sargeant's house; S. Summers returning officer.

O. R. Ketcheson, road surveyor presented his report of work done during the year, and his account for services rendered, amounting to \$34, which was ordered to be paid him.

Jas. M. Esteman applied for \$7 for his expenses in burying the wife of Mrs. Rodgers. Laid over till next meeting.

An order was given the treasurer for \$75 as a salary for 1881.

An order was given W. H. Dean for \$11, being balance on his salary as caretaker of hall.

An order was given Elmer Elliot for \$7 to pay for clothing for Thos. McGuire.

Mr. Robertson moved, seconded by Mr. Morton, that the clerk receive \$100 for his services for 1881, and \$5 for writing and posting notices. Carried.

Mr. Robertson moved, seconded by Mr. Foster, that the council adjourn and die.

Carried.

N. H. Heston.

Bishop Gilmore of Cleveland, Ohio, has had the Canadian Remedy, St. Jacobs Oil, and indigestion oil. He writes about it as follows: "I am pleased to say that the use of St. Jacobs Oil has benefited me greatly, and I have no hesitation to recommend it to all as an excellent curative."

A despatch from St. Petersburg gives particulars of the arrest of eight Nihilists who were engaged in the manufacture of dynamite, and a throw of the residence of General Trepov, the man trusted by the czar with the supervision of the anarchist. The world need not be surprised to learn that the czar is perfectly safe.

There are Nihilists among his domestics and retainers, for a woman was detected the other day placing warning letters in his prayer book. The eight Nihilists have been condemned to death, and the manufacturing bonds required that they can be concealed in carcasses. It is only a matter of time till the Nihilists get out of prison again. The conspiracy is too wide-spread and the evidence is too strong for failure. The czar is safe, the private and secret agent of the detestable Paul, which is to be revived, will fail, so long as justice is not done to the people. The Spanish inquisition has been resurrected, and the czar is what we intended to overthrow. The secret council will exasperate the Nihilists beyond endurance, and then there will not be wall-to-wall enough in Russia to keep them from their war.

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Staple Goods Counter:

(Canadian Grey Cottons, do. Shirts, do. Denims, Canadian 'full' width Sheetings,
ducks, tickings, colored, bleached and half-bleached tablings, table napkins, scar-
flet and grey wool Hamlets, white, colored and grey cotton flannels, and an enor-
mous large stock of plain and fancy checked, and striped viacety, the best
value in the market.

Persian Cords, French Twills, all wool Costumes, Cloth, all wool black and colored cashmere; black and colored velveteens, a full range; a line of black silk gros grain for \$65, worth \$1.

Fancy Goods Counter.

Dress trimmings, fringes, black and colored satins, embroideries, inventions, laces, edgings, etc., a full stock; misses and children's fancy half jerseys and dildous, all the new things; ladies' mantles, ulsters and circulars, ladies' fur caps in mink, Persian, Astrachan, etc.; ladies' fur sets of all kinds, ladies' ties in plush, embroidered, amber colored silk, etc., ladies' wool mits, kid mits, kid gloves, etc.,

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Mills Furnishing and Tailoring Department:
Men's white dress shirts, regatta and Oxford shirts, men's all wool shirts and drawers, union do-, kid gloves and mitts, silk handkerchiefs in all the newest colors and designs, linen collars and cuffs, neckties, reversible heart-shaped scarf ties, etc., in all the newest shades; men's fur caps in Persian lamb, Russian lamb, beaver, otter, etc.; mufflers, etc.

We have had a great run on them, is yet quite complete, comprising Scotch and English suiting, Canadian sninges, French and English worsted suiting and coatings; beaver, tweed and worsted overcoatings, etc. Cutting and general management attended to by Mr. James McKeown.

**Groceries,
Crockery,
Boots & Shoes.**

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of Hardware:

“**f**ittings,” cutlery, plated knives and forks, &c., spoons, carpenters and blacksmith’s tools, spades, shovels, scops, strap bel’s, gong do., door do., whips, half-hamlet, measures; powder, shot, fuses, &c.; rope of all sizes, cow ties, trace ends, do.

chains, binding and lagging chains, bussaws, meat saws, crosscut saws, picks, sledges, mazars: and straps, padlocks, rim do., snaps, hooks and staples, hinges, grindstones and haging screws, tools, lining nail’s, butts, tire and carriage

BOLTS, PAINTS, best boiled paint oil, glass, putty, white lead (No. 1, genuine and
genuine pure), nails of all kinds. Also, a large stock of iron, horse shoes and horse
nails, which we offer cheap for cash. Please notice Burrell's axes for 65¢. To
those building we would say, examine our complete stock before purchasing
elsewhere.

MINTINE & CLOUTIER

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TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

GROUNDS JUNCTION HOTEL.

Tariff pass SUNDAY, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
For Peterboro, etc., 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

STAGE LINES.

Bellville stage, carrying Her Majesty's mail, leaves post-office and hotel daily at 6 a.m.; arrives 12 m.; departs 1 p.m.; arrives 4 p.m.; departs 5 p.m. Friday at 12 m.; arrives 12 m.

MAILS.

Mails arrive for delivery and dues at Stirling office daily.

ARRIVE.

CLOSE.

Departs and points east and west.

11:15

1:45

Cambridge, Monday, Wednesday,

11:15

1:30

Markham and north July,

8:30

12:30

Markham mail stage leaves at 12:30 p.m.,

Friday.

HOME MATTERS.

Markham news arrived too late.

School commences next Tuesday.

Mrs. J. A. Bates, of Kingdon, is on a visit to Stirling.

Mrs. Bissonnette arrived from Dundas Monday to spend his holiday.

The crack shot of the village will take part in a pigeon shoot at the cricket field on Monday next.

W. H. Rossbach, postmaster at Scarborough, paid a visit to his friends in this section at Christmas.

Frank Leucks and John McDougall, students of the Toronto collegiate institute, are home for the holidays.

At the school examinations on Wednesday Muses, A. Chard and Ira Williams were re-elected by acclamation.

If corresponds with long articles inserted while fresh, they will have to reach office before Thursday.

The receipts of the M. E. Xmas tree amounted to \$23.50. The evening was fine, and a good time was enjoyed.

Carence Goldfinch, who has a situation in the hardware house of Ross & Allen, 159 Yonge, is now on a visit home.

The second hunting match in Huntingdon, on the 16th, again came off a victory for Mr. Thompson's side, securing 765 points against Mr. Ross's 435.

A tea-meeting will be held in the Stirling Methodist church on the last Thursday in January, with a lecture on "Phrenology and Religion" by Rev. Dr. Jeffers.

There was no regular public examination of Stirling school this year, the promotion examinations occupying the whole time. The result will be published as soon as received.

Mr. S. S. Donisthorpe went through the ice into the pond to rescue myriads, and had a narrow escape front drowning. This was the third or fourth case inside of a couple of days. Be careful, boys.

The following is the report of the Plum Grove creamery company: lbs. of milk received, 1,144; lbs. of butter manufactured, 114; 740 lbs. of stockholders, due deducting manufacturing expense, \$90 per standard of 3,000 lbs.

None of Stirling's past year's councilors is up for re-election. Beside the two doctors, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, candidates for the councilor's seats are H. W. Smith, Democrat, W. S. Martin, David Martin and Jas. McKee, the rest having all retired. There are only four to be voted for.

At the meeting of the school board on Wednesday evening, four applications were received for the position of teacher in the two lower divisions. This secretary is authorized to advertise again in the *Advertiser* and *Mail*, and offer a salary of \$250 in each case. He was also appointed to take the school census.

S. S. Vandervoort, deputy reeve of Rawdon, suffered severely at the hands of our composers last week. In reference to the application of Jonathan Thorne for a grant to add a room belonging to the 12th con. line, the motion was carried that the room was moved by Mr. Williams, not by Mr. Vandervoort, who was opposed to such action. The blow was unfortunate. The same gentleman was represented in the list of orders paid having received \$1.80 for services as a cobbler, which should have been \$30.

A correspondent writes to the *Advertiser* from Tewford on the 27th: A Mohawk named Bill John was killed to death last Friday by a horse belonging to Andrew Finlay, one of his neighbors. It appears that a daughter of Finlay's had a couple of horses to water, when one of them escaped, who lived close by, came to her assistance, and was blanketing the horse, when it turned and kicked him with both feet, knocking him down against the stall, where the animal continued to kick him until the neighbor came and put the latter off. Deceased made several attempts to rise, but sank again, and breathed his last without saying a word.

School Examination.

The school examination for S. S. No. 8, Wellington's Corners (Miss Palmer, teacher), came off on the 16th inst., and was a very interesting affair, there being about eighty visitors from different branches of study, with the greatest ease and success. Besides the usual exercises of the school, the following literary programs were gone through being interspersed with the classes:

Opening addressings by the pupils; singing, "God save the Queen"; "Lazy boy, etc." dialogue, "The evil there is in it" (in bazaar); dialogue, "Letter writing explained"; singing dialogues, "The little peacock"; dialogue, "In doors and out" (the health); dialogue, "Teacher abroad—school as conducted twenty years ago"; A specimen of penmanship by each pupil of the school

who was on a distribution for inspection among the parents and friends.

At the close of the examination, Mr. J. Hague was called to the chair, and said he must call the class with him, but we were not in the room. He was making the speech while sitting there his mind had gone back to thirty-five or forty years ago, when there stood a few rods from where they now were a little log had the shape of a beehive, about six feet high and wide, and a hole bored in it. Then he had slab with holes bored in and legs put in for seats, and other things corresponding. He then spoke of the eccentric teacher, with his long-jailed blue coat and white hair, and the like. The old man had the name of study than taught were Cobb's spelling-book, the English reader, and arithmetic. When a scholar went through the rule of three, he was thought fit to graduate. He saw persons before him become great men, and he himself was not far behind the time. The old man had many masters, but grandmothers. The child who could pass his fourth book now was three times as well posted as the teachers of those days.

Mr. Woodson, trustee, was then called on, and spoke highly of the way the school had been conducted and the progress made by the pupils.

Mr. G. W. Vandervoort also spoke favorably of the school. He had visited it at different times, and could see that the children were well educated. He could not say much about Miss Palmer for a couple of years, but thought they could turn out some good scholars as any school in the country.

Mr. J. A. Vandervoort thought we had the best school in the country. Forty years ago he had a good deal to do with the school, but he had not much to do with it now.

Mr. Duncan excused himself on the lateness of the day, and said he would refer his speech to Rev. Mr. Wood, who was full of speeches.

Rev. Mr. Wood said he always liked to go to school, and that when he was young he took the people in their face. Wearing his clothes below he could only see the backs of their heads, and the ladies most always had their well fixed. He spoke favorably of the examination, and also of the children's singing. If their voices were so pleasing to him, what would it be if they were so good? He had a good deal to do with the school, but he was thought to be clever.

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The teacher then distributed some sweets among the children. Rev. Mr. Wood pronounced the benediction, and the school was dismissed.

Charles Vandervoort presided at the organ.

Our Devil's Dream on Christmas Eve.

As our devil walked homeward on Christmas Eve, With ink-blotted fingers, his heart in his sleeve.

He thought of the many glad hearts in the home, And with anticipation smiles covered his face;

For the devil, you know, has a very hard heart, And has mostly worse luck than e'er came from the pot.

He had more, with the rooster's first crow,

And the way he must him is not very good;

But the way all he tries to keep civil, And so it went, to fill that his leisure's not much.

But here, says a reader, "kind sir, you're digressing—

If you don't keep your text we will give you no chance to do so."

If we cannot do it, we know one who can—

He lives in the suburbs—the Ontario man That settles the point, though we've twice been to see him.

To see that one star fight a battle without losing.

The devil walked homeward with step-some what slow.

For the devil's great problem to solve you must know;

His heart had been gladdened by the sight of that gave a short sketch of a merry old nodger.

Call'd Claus, St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle, &c. (If the children are near pray do give me a sketch away.)

Who on earth is Gilbert? E'en wonders about the dark,

Bent on mischief or fun, or some other great?

With his vest and his pockets, and o'er his big cap,

With a small pull of presents he'd look like a chap?

Who had just run away with severe toy-

And could hardly stand up without half dozen prop's.

He had just run in to his humble abode, And thought that he'd soon be long the last,

That's when weighing down his unsatisfied soul.

And had little good reason to look for a friend From the little old man with a face like a call.

And a load of good things to rejoice the young heart;

Thought to shout and to leap on a rapport.

So into the arms and the peaceful embrac'e Of some calm goddes, did soon took his place.

How long had he slept, or why he awoke Was a puzzle, but he got a tremendous big poke

In the night, and jumped up, still rubbing his eyes.

Stood the queen of beings that e'er he had seen—

Stood the embodiment of all mirth here below;

And she seen in his wonderings some queer snarl, fat, and as angry as looks could well show.

And got Mr. Morgan to take me some pictures.

Dearest S. Smith, though they're just lately started,

Have an array of fine things that would make any man's heart beat fast.

And George Hubble, too, has some very fine wares.

In short, he's got all sorts of oddments and chairs.

But now as my call has been very much longer,

Then I made to many who are very much older.

And got him still, in a wrap good and strong;

This last he showed, with a final great kick,

Ran up to the devil, and did it quite sick.

"Devil take it!" he said with a sly little wink.

And a smile so assuring it could not but

Right to the heart of the youthful P. D.,

With words so fairies could not really hear,

Kind sir, you time's venturous, but

But felt as though called to a most pleasant

"Why is this thus, and thusly so?"

Explains this strange problem, and don't be

Wary from his sleep should the P.D. be

shaken.

By your little male, who thin freedom have

taken you at once,

"Oh! hot! hot!" said the little old man with

his long-jailed blue coat and white hair,

and—

"This is rich, oh, so rich, and, oh, hot! it is

queer craft!

The poor strapping lad of your age and

your craft!

Should not know Kris Kringle, who always

at the approach of this night, when, happy and gay,

Will call on his children and his com-

pliments, etc.

For I love them, and come at this time of

To bring them some presents, and lots of

good cheer.

You are, I see, one of the crowd

of THE NEWS-ARGUS paper, that ever is

laid on the market.

Is it not interesting forth the wares and the

goods of merchants, and—Nick of

Merchandise!

But hold! I'll show you at once my fine stock

(What's this? It's for you), and then you may

Rock yourself back to dreamland of fancy

Food to night.

For to-night I must give many calls like to this

Mr. Clegg's package of groceries, and a fine

assortment of chafers,

From Clegg & Brothers, besides last

Year's courteous treatment from Bob or

Charlie,

With a good value good, and don't stop to

Ask for a cook-stove, base burner or range,

Frank & J. Warren, who'll give the right change,

And to top your job well, meat and

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